UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT CENTRAL DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA

CIVIL MINUTES - GENERAL

Case No.	CV 15-8137 FMO (AJWx)	Date	December 18, 2015		
Title	Chris Shadley, et al. v. Horace Heidt Agency Company, Inc., et al.				

Present: The Honorable	guin, United States District Judge			
Vanessa Figueroa		None Present		
Deputy Clerk		Court Reporter / Recorder		
Attorneys Present for	or Plaintiffs:	Attorneys Present for Defendants:		
None Present		None Present		

Proceedings: (In Chambers) Order to Show Cause Re: Dismissal Re: Lack of Prosecution

Absent a showing of good cause, an action must be dismissed without prejudice if the summons and complaint are not served on a defendant within 90 days after the complaint is filed. Fed. R. Civ. P. 4(m). Generally, a defendant must answer the complaint within 21 days after service (60 days if the defendant is the United States). Fed. R. Civ. P. 12(a). The court may dismiss the action prior to the 90 days, however, if plaintiff(s) has/have not diligently prosecuted the action.

In the present case, it appears that one or more of these time periods has not been met. Accordingly, the court, on its own motion, orders plaintiff(s) to show cause in writing on or before **December 23, 2015**, why this action should not be dismissed for lack of prosecution. Pursuant to Fed. R. Civ. P. 78(b), the court finds that this matter is appropriate for submission without oral argument. The Order to Show Cause will stand submitted upon the filing of plaintiff's response, if plaintiff/defendant files

- An answer by the following defendant: HORACE HEIDT AGENCY COMPANY, a California Corporation
- Plaintiff's application for entry of default pursuant to Fed. R. Civ. P. 55(a): HORACE HEIDT AGENCY COMPANY, a California Corporation
- □ Plaintiff's motion for default judgment pursuant to Fed. R. Civ. P. 55(b):

on or before the date indicated above, the court will consider this a satisfactory response to the Order to Show Cause.

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